- (2) THE PURPOSE OF SIGNATURE VERIFICATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS TO ENSURE THAT THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO SIGNED THE PETITION IS LISTED AS A REGISTERED VOTER.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved April 11, 2006.

CHAPTER 66

(Senate Bill 105)

AN ACT concerning

Campaign Finance Reporting - Enforcement of Late Fees

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain prosecuting authorities to refer certain matters for action to the Central Collection Unit in the Department of Budget and Management under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual from signing the name of any other individual on certain forms or other documents <u>under certain circumstances</u>; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to campaign finance reporting and enforcement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article -Election Law Section 13-335 and 13-602 Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Election Law

13-335.

- (a) (1) If the State Board determines that there has been, for more than 30 days, a failure to file a campaign finance report within the meaning of § 13–327 of this subtitle, the State Board shall issue the notice prescribed in paragraph (2) of this subsection to the responsible officers of the campaign finance entity in violation.
- (2) The notice shall demand that, within 30 days after service of the notice, either:
 - (i) the failure to file be rectified and any late filing fee due be paid;

or